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MINNESOTA'S APRIL MILK OUTPUT DOWN 1.9 PERCENT

April 2011 milk production totaled 761 million pounds in Minnesota, down 1.9 percent from the 776 million pounds produced in April 2010, according to the USDA, NASS, Minnesota Field Office. Revised March 2011 milk output was 780 million pounds.

Minnesota's production per cow averaged 1,615 pounds in April 2011, down 35 pounds from last April. The revised March 2011 rate was 1,655 pounds per cow. The average number of milk cows on farms in Minnesota during April 2011 was 471,000 head, unchanged from the March 2011 number but up 1,000 from one year ago.

Accumulated Minnesota milk production for the first four months of 2011 was 3.01 billion pounds, up 1.3 percent from the same period a year ago.

APRIL MILK PRODUCTION UP 1.7 PERCENT

Milk production in the 23 major States during April totaled 15.5 billion pounds, up 1.7 percent from April 2010. March revised production at 15.8 billion pounds, was up 2.4 percent from March 2010. Production per cow in the 23 major States averaged 1,834 pounds for April, 9 pounds above April 2010. The number of milk cows on farms in the 23 major States was 8.43 million head, 97,000 head more than April 2010, and 8,000 head more March 2011.

Accumulated milk production in the 23 major states for the first four months of 2011 was 60.4 billion pounds, up 2.3 percent from the same period a year ago.

MILK PRODUCTION, MAJOR STATES

State	MILK COWS			RATE PER COW			MILK PRODUCTION			
	Apr 2010	Mar 2011 Rev.	Apr 2011	Apr 2010	Mar 2011 Rev.	Apr 2011	Apr 2010	Mar 2011 Rev.	Apr 2011	2011 as % of 2010
	<u>Thousand Head</u>			<u>Pounds</u>			<u>Million Pounds</u>			<u>Percent</u>
CA	1,755	1,764	1,769	1,955	2,035	1,990	3,431	3,590	3,520	102.6
ID	557	576	576	1,850	1,880	1,870	1,030	1,083	1,077	104.6
MN	470	471	471	1,650	1,655	1,615	776	780	761	98.1
NY	610	610	610	1,755	1,810	1,770	1,071	1,104	1,080	100.8
PA	541	543	543	1,710	1,710	1,690	925	929	918	99.2
WI	1,261	1,266	1,266	1,745	1,775	1,735	2,200	2,247	2,197	99.9
23 States	8,337	8,426	8,434	1,825	1,870	1,834	15,213	15,757	15,468	101.7

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